

REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 74 and 80 have been amended to correct a typographical error and to reflect an amendment to claim 54. Claim 54 is presented as entered by the Examiner in the interview of November 13, 2007, and was amended for purposes of form and not for purposes of patentability. The specification has been amended for improved form. Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 13, 14, 33, 54, 64, 65, 65, 74, 76-78, 80, 82 and 83 are pending and under consideration. No new matter is presented in this Amendment.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103:

On pages 2-3 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejects claims 1, 2, 4-7, 13, 14, 33, 36-44, 52, 53, 56-60, 62-65, 74-79, and 81 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) in view of Ijtsma et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,606,285) and Tani (U.S. Patent No. 6,118,755). The rejection is respectfully traversed in accordance with the prior filed Amendment, and reconsideration is again requested for the reasons set forth therein.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER:

On page 4 of the Office Action, the Examiner allows claims 54 and 80.

CONCLUSION:

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited. Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters. If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 503333.

Respectfully submitted,

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